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In re patent application of: OUIMET, et al

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Attached is:

a response after Final Rejection dated

- X a response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 28, 2002.
- a Preliminary Amendment
 - a Petition for an extension of time
- X Other: Attachment to Response (copy of IPER)

Fees: For claims if required and/or other fees as shown below:

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	TOTAL CLAIMS	14	20		X \$ 18 =	·
	INDEP. CLAIMS	2	3		X \$ 84 =	÷
	TOTAL OF ABOVE CLAIMS FEES =					
	Reduction by ½ for small entity status of applicant Subtotal =					·
	Fee for extension of time (per attached Petition)					
	Other fee for			·		
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X A check in the amount of \$0 is enclosed. If no check or an insufficient check is enclosed and a fee is due in connection herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee or additional fee due in connection herewith to Deposit Account No. 12-0555.

X In the event that a petition for extension of time is required to be submitted herewith and that a separate petition is not submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time of as many months as are required to render this submission timely. Any fee is authorized above.

Date: September 26, 2002

Respectfully submitted,

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